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The hydrotechnical laboratory of the *Sredneaziatskiy Nauchno-Issledovatel'skiy Institut Irrigatsii in Tashkent has been doing research work on a plan for a hydrotechnical installation on the Pakhta-Arna Canal**.

Large-scale research work is being conducted on the hydrotechnical installation which is to be erected in the area of Kzyl-Orda (Kazakhskaya SSR). The personnel of the institute is also engaged in a study of the problem of the reconstruction of the Kurgan-Yarskaya** Dam on the Bol'shoy Ferganskiy Kanal (Large Fergana Canal) in Stalin (Uzbekskaya SSR).

The reclamation laboratory is working on the problem of vertical drainage in the area of the Golodnaya Step' (Kazakhskaya SSR and Uzbekskaya SSR). The first 7 wells have been sunk. Specialists of the institute are working on new machinery and tools for use in irrigation, including equipment for the mechanical cleaning of canals. Apparatus is being assembled which will automatically raise the water to specified levels.

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